

FORM PTO-1390

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER:
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U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5)
10/019226

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.:
PCT/FR00/01545

INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE:
6 JUNE 2000

PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED:
28 JUNE 1999

TITLE OF INVENTION: ANALYSING METHOD AND DEVICE WITH A VIEW TO THE AUTOMATIC SORTING OF PRODUCTS SUCH AS PIECES OF FRUIT

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US: Philippe BLANC

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4. A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - a. is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. has been transmitted by the International Bureau. (see attached copy of PCT/IB/308)
 - c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
 - a. are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. have not been made and will not be made.
8. A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. A translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Item 11. to 16. below concern document(s) or information included:

11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
14. A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
15. A substitute specification.
16. Other items or information:

INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT (PCT/IPEA/409), INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATION, INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT (PCT/ISA/210), Forms PCT/IB/304 and PCT/IB/308, ABSTRACT on a separate sheet, APPLICATION DATA SHEET

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10/0192261

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17. The following fees are submitted:

BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):

Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO \$ 1,040.00

International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO \$ 890.00

International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO \$ 740.00

International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) \$ 710.00

International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) \$ 100.00

ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =

\$ 890.00

Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).

| CLAIMS | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE | \$ |
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| Total claims | 15 - 20 = | 0 | X \$18.00 | \$ |
| Independent claims | 2 - 3 = | 0 | X \$84.00 | \$ |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS(S) (if applicable) | | | + \$280.00 | \$ |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = | | | | \$ 890.00 |
| Reduction of $\frac{1}{2}$, if applicant is entitled to Small Entity status under 37 CFR 1.27. | | | | + \$ |
| SUBTOTAL = | | | | \$ 890.00 |
| Processing fee of \$130 for furnishing the English translation later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). | | | | \$ |
| TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = | | | | \$ 890.00 |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property | | | | + \$ |
| TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = | | | | \$ 890.00 |

Amount to be refunded:

charged:

a. A check in the amount of \$ 890.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.

b. Please charge my Deposit Account No. **25-0120** in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

c. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required by 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **25-0120**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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